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This is UNEVALUATED Information

- On 2 January 1951, the Frost Kaserno which, except for one building had been reconditioned, was occupied by troops of regimental strength. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank, motor transport, signal and artillery insignia. Three 22-man units and a military band were engaged in parade drill. A major supervising the training rode passenger car [redacted] Twelve other groups, each of one NCO and seven E' practiced with gas masks. Three 20-man platoons, each under the command of a lieutenant, left the installation, carrying practice targets. Two tank trucks and two trucks, loaded with fuel containers, stood under a shed roof in the fuel dump at the drill field. Jeep [redacted], trucks [redacted] driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, were identified on their way to or from the barracks installation. Truck [redacted] left the installation toward Tollbushkinstrasse, occupied by two captains, eight lieutenants and five E'. Parked in front of the installation were jeep [redacted], the driver of which wore black-bordered black epaulets; jeep [redacted] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets; and truck [redacted], marked with the letter Y on its side walls, obviously vehicles of a drivers' school. *
- Sentries at the garage near the water tower on Lindtenstrasse wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Trucks [redacted] and van-like truck [redacted] were blocked up along the fence on Lindtenstrasse. Trucks [redacted] were in the garage. Jeep [redacted] has been seen in the garage area for some time.
- The garage on Alxingerstrasse housed a repair shop operated by about 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets and who were served meals from a kitchen at the shop. Jeeps [redacted] trucks [redacted] carrying empty gasoline drums, and van-like truck [redacted] entered or left the repair shop.
- The garage on Bernerstorferstrasse employed about 40 troops. Motor vehicles parked or blocked up at the garage included weapon carriers

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5. Sentries in front of the hospital at 33 Leibnitzgasse wore red-bordered black epaulets. Weapons carrier [redacted] converted into an ambulance, and trucks [redacted] were parked in front of the hospital. Trucks [redacted] were identified in the yard of house No 34.

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6. Trucks which picked up bread at the bakery on Davidgasse [redacted]

[redacted] were driven by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets.

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7. Sentries in front of the Soviet quarters at 10 Tolbukhinstrasse wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Seventy percent of the personnel entering and leaving the quarters were officers, predominantly ranking from lieutenant to and including captain, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some with tank or artillery insignia. Motor vehicles parked in front of building No 10 included jeeps [redacted] passenger car [redacted] weapons carrier [redacted] with box-like body; and three sidcar motorcycles. All motor vehicles except the three motorcycles were driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. **

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8. Sentries at the former ammunition dump on Piccardsbουργasse wore red-bordered black epaulets. The dump was used for the storage of lumber and coal. Truck [redacted] loaded with briquettes, was [redacted] there.

9. The ammunition dump at the intersection of Buchengasse and Gussriegelstrasse was guarded by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. No activity was seen.

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- * [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the Trost
Kaserne quarters the 44th Gds Mecz Regt of the 13th Gds Mecz Div.

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